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1. AT LAST MONTH'S PARIS MEETING OF INDOCHINA AID DONORS,
A PARTICULARLY DISCORDANT NOTE WAS SOUNDED BY SCANDINAVIAN
DELEGATIONS, ESPECIALLY KLACKENBERG THE SWEDISH DELEGATE,
CONCERNING THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM (GVN)

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AND THE PROVISIONAL REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT (PRG). SCAN-

DINAVIANS GENERALLY TOOK THE LINE THAT THERE WERE QUOTE TWO AUTHORITIES UNQUOTE IN SOUTH VIET-NAM, THAT THE OUT-COME OF THE CURRENT STRUGGLE WAS NOT YET CLEAR, AND THAT IN THE MEANTIME THE IBRD SHOULD NOT QUOTE INTERVENE POLITICALLY UNQUOTE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF SOUTH VIET-NAM BY PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO ONE OF THE PARTIES -- I.E. THE GVN. DANES ADDED THAT ANY IBRD SUPPORT FOR GVN WOULD BEAR ON DENMARK'S ATTITUDE TOWARD IDA REPLENISHMENT (REFS A AND B).

2. ACTION ADDRESSEES SHOULD BE FAMILIAR WITH U.S. VIEW (REFS C, D AND E) THAT THE PRG POSSESSES NONE OF THE ATTRIBUTES OF A STATE. ACTION POSTS ARE REQUESTED TO FIND APPROPRIATE OCCASION TO CONVEY THIS VIEW TO HOST GOVERNMENTS IN THE CONTEXT OF A FOLLOW-ON DISCUSSION OF PARIS

AID DONORS MEETING AND TO REPORT REACTIONS. RUSH

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